

In claim 17, line 1, please delete "any of claims 14 to 16" and replace with --14--.

In claim 19, line 1, please delete "any of claims 1 to 18" and replace with --24--.

In claim 20, line 1, please delete "any of claims 1 to 18" and replace with --24--.

In claim 21, line 1, please delete "any preceding claim" and replace with --24--.

Please cancel claims 1, 18, 22 and 23 and add the following new claims:

~~24.~~ A method of transmission and reception of a scrambled data stream

comprising:

transmitting a scrambled data stream to a decoder;

sending the scrambled data stream to a portable security module inserted in the decoder;

descrambling the scrambled data stream;

encrypting a descrambled data stream;

sending the encrypted data stream to the decoder;

decrypting the encrypted data stream; and

using the decrypted data stream.

~~19.~~ ~~25.~~ A method of transmission and reception of scrambled data as claimed in

claim 2, further comprising:

encrypting the data stream at the point of transmission by a first encryption key;

and

decrypting the data stream by the decoder by an equivalent of the first encryption key.